## **PATENT**

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF:

Bernardelli et al. GROUP ART UNIT: 1624

SERIAL NUMBER: 10/667,111 EXAMINER: Tamthom Ngo Truong

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TITLE: SPIROCONDENSED QUINAZOLINONES AND THEIR USE AS

PHOSPHODIESTERASE INHIBITORS

## AMENDMENT & RESPONSE AFTER FINAL

## I. <u>INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS</u>

Commissioner of Patents

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action dated February 5, 2007, having a Shortened Statutory Period for Reply for which is set to expire on May 5, 2007. A three-month extension of time to August 5, 2007 is requested herewith. In addition, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed with this paper. Please charge any appropriate fees to Deposit Account No. 16-1445.

August 2, 2007

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Amendments to the claims start on page 2 of the Response.

Remarks start on page 7 of the Response.

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